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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Hiroyuki Ito

Serial No.: 10/003,916

For: HIGH DENSITY COBALT-MANGANESE COPRECIPITATED
NICKEL HYDROXIDE AND PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION

Filed: November 2, 2001

Examiner: Vijayakumar, Kallambella M.

Art Unit: 1751

Confirmation No.: 771

Customer No.: 27623

Attorney Docket: 3019.002USU (0001460/3076USU)

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

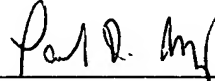
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	4	Minus	20	0	x \$18.00	\$0
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	0	x \$86.00	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$280.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				PAID		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$_____.

XXX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

May 12, 2004

Date



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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: